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PERFORMANCE OF A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In the Claims

Please ~~add~~ newly presented claims ~~41~~ 52 as follows

41. (Newly Presented) A method for generating increased revenue after the sale or lease of a data processing system, comprising:

selling or leasing a data processing system to a customer with an initial performance level, the initial performance level being less than the maximum performance level of the data processing system;

configuring the data processing system to have the initial performance level; and

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